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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

TACOMA, WASH.

Water Supply: Pollution Prohibited—Regulations for Protection of Watershed— Notification of Communicable Diseases on Watershed. (Ord. 5276, Apr. 2, 1913.)

SECTION 1. The following sanitary regulations are hereby established to be observed by the inhabitants of the watershed of Green River, in King County; being all the areas of land draining into the lakes, rivers, springs, streams, creeks, and tributaries flowing and emptying into said Green River above the dam constructed in section 18, township 21 north, range 8 east, to-wit:

First. Every employer of labor, head of a family, hotel keeper and lodging house-keeper within said watershed shall forthwith upon ascertaining that any person on his premises is ill from any disease, notify the chief of the Green River police thereof.

Second. Each physician who shall attend a patient afflicted with a contagious or infectious disease within said watershed, shall forthwith notify the health officer of the city of Tacoma thereof; if no physician be attendant, the head of the family or other person having the care of the patient so afflicted, shall give the notice above provided for.

Third. The health officer and Green River police shall enforce all reasonable quarantine rules necessary to prevent the spread of any such contagious or infectious disease, and their orders in such respects shall have the same force and effect as similar quarantine regulations in the city of Tacoma.

Fourth. Every person suffering from typhoid fever, or other water-borne disease, within said watershed, shall be removed to a hospital in the city of Tacoma and there treated free of expense to such persons: *Provided*, That where such person has been contributing hospital dues to his employer, and is entitled to hospital treatment thereof, his removal and treatment shall be at the expense of the fund thus provided.

Fifth. No person shall cast into the flowing waters of said watershed, any garbage, manure, excreta, decayed vegetable or animal matter, or other rubbish; nor upon the ground within 500 feet of the same; but all said material shall be burned up or else removed to the distance above prescribed.

Sixth. No person shall wade or bathe in any of the flowing waters of said watershed, or permit any animal to stand or wallow therein.

Seventh. All toilets and privies within said watershed shall be equipped with water-tight receptacles of proper size and permanent construction, and be so arranged as to enable them to be easily emptied or pumped out. Any such toilet or privy not so equipped may be condemned by the chief of the Green River police, and the defect shall thereupon be remedied by the owner or occupant of the premises within five days. When any such toilet or privy requires to be emptied or pumped out, the work shall be done under the supervision of the Green River police and to the satisfaction of the chief.

Eighth. Every employer of labor shall provide portable sanitary toilets and require the use of the same by employees doing work at a distance from their permanent camps or dwellings, and at any place within 1,000 feet of Green River or any of the lakes, springs, or streams tributary thereto.

Ninth. No trespasser upon land not his own within said watershed shall camp or hunt upon such lands or fish in the waters of Green River or of any lake or stream tributary thereto, where they run or lie within such land.

Tenth. No unauthorized person shall remove or destroy any notice or sign posted in said watershed by the health officer of the city of Tacoma, or by his order in aid of preventing the pollution of the waters of said Green River.

SEC. 2. Every person convicted of the violation of any provision of this ordinance may be fined in a sum not exceeding \$100, or imprisoned in the city jail not exceeding 30 days or may be both fined and imprisoned, as the case may warrant.

Communicable Diseases—Notification of Cases—Disinfection—Quarantine. (Ord. 5245, Mar. 5, 1913.)

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of every physician, every householder, every owner or occupant of any house, store, hotel, boarding house, stable, or any building, and any tenant in any building, wherein any person has diphtheria, smallpox, varioloid, scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough, chicken pox, cerebrospinal meningitis, typhoid fever, or any other contagious or dangerous disease or diseases, to give immediate notice of the same to the health officer in person or by writing, particularly describing the place where such contagious disease exists. And whenever knowledge shall come to the health officer of the existence of any of the foregoing contagious diseases, it shall be his duty forthwith, when safe and practicable, if in his judgment the necessity of the case requires it, to cause such infected person to be removed to the city hospital and there properly provided for and taken care of. When, however it is unsafe and impracticable to remove such person to the city hospital, it shall be his duty forthwith, at the expense of the house or place where such infected person or persons shall be, to give notice of the existence of such disease in such place by placing a green flag and a green card in case of diphtheria, with the word "Diphtheria" in large letters on said card; and a scarlet flag and a scarlet card in case of scarlet fever, with the words "Scarlet fever" in large letters on said card; and a yellow flag and a yellow card in case of smallpox or varioloid with the word "Smallpox" in large letters on said card; and in all other cases a white flag; where they may be seen by persons passing on the street near said premises. Said flags shall be 18 inches wide and 24 inches long, and said cards shall not be less than 5 inches wide and 14 inches long; and both said flags and said cards shall remain until such person shall have so far recovered that no danger of infection shall remain; and neither said cards nor flags shall be removed except by order of the health officer. There shall also be printed on all of said cards the following words: "This card shall not be removed except by order of the health officer."

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of any person or persons owning, running, operating or having charge of any hospital, private or public, to report immediately any death that may occur in said hospital, the cause of death and any other information about such deceased person as the health officer may deem requisite and necessary. Such report shall be made to the health officer, whose duty it shall be to investigate the matter; and upon the request of any person he may call together the board of health to investigate fully the cause of death, and in such case the city clerk shall make a record of all the proceedings therein.

SEC. 5. The board of health shall have power to order the quarantine of any house, and establish any necessary quarantine hospital; and shall have the power to direct the health officer to provide medical attendance, medicines, and nursing to any person